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The Office of the Secretary of State received a certified ballot title from the Attorney General on December 14, 1999, for initiative petition #104, proposing a constitutional amendment, for the General Election of November 7, 2000.

In addition, Secretary of State Bill Bradbury determined that the proposed initiative petition was in compliance with the procedural requirements established in the Oregon Constitution for initiative petitions.

The certified ballot title is as follows:

AMENDS CONSTITUTION: CREATES COMMISSION ENSURING QUALITY HOME CARE SERVICES FOR ELDERLY, DISABLED

RESULT OF "YES" VOTE: "Yes" vote creates commission ensuring quality home services for elderly, disabled receiving publicly-funded care.

RESULT OF "NO" VOTE: "No" vote rejects commission ensuring quality home services for elderly, disabled receiving publicly-funded care.

SUMMARY: Amends constitution. Creates nine-member commission ensuring high-quality home care services for elderly, disabled receiving publiclyfunded personal care. Members appointed by Governor for three-year terms, confirmed by Senate. Commission would establish home care worker qualifications, registry; provide routine, emergency, respite referrals of qualified care providers; provide training opportunities. Clients would retain right to hire provider of their choosing. Commission would be home care workers' employer for collective bargaining purposes. Home care workers would have public employees' collective bargaining rights, could not strike.



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Colleen Sealock Director, Elections Division Office of the Secretary of State 141 State Capitol Salem, OR 97310

Re:

Proposed Initiative Petition — Amends Constitution: Creates Commission Ensuring

Quality Home Care Services For Elderly, Disabled DOJ File #BT-130-99; Elections Division #104

Dear Ms. Sealock:

We have received one comment recommending that the draft ballot title be certified without any changes. This ballot title relates to the creation of a commission to ensure quality home care services for the elderly and disabled.

Sincerely,

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